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"uneven." This fails to convey the contrast between the milder, shorter winters and the shorter frost season of the East and the larger range of temperature, longer winters and longer frost season of the west. F. V. EMERSON.

**Distant Lands**—An Elementary Study in Geography. By H. J. Mackinder, M.A. xvi and 296 pp., 210 ills. and 12 colored maps. 8vo. George Philip & Son, London, 1910.

Professor Mackinder's Geographical Studies, of which this is the third, treat the subject in a progressive manner, so that the pupil comes gradually into a knowledge of the whole world. This volume, like the second, is both historical and geographical. There are good maps, many being orographical; and it may be noted that they are up to date, northeast Greenland, for example, having the latest delineation after the results of the Erichsen expedition. Every young student will find approved geography in these books, and there could be no better preparation for the more advanced study of the subject.

**Tropical Medicine, Hygiene, and Parasitology.** A Handbook for Practitioners and Students. By Gilbert E. Brooke, M. A. Cantab., etc. With numerous illustrations, including 26 plates. Small 8vo and 498 pp. Charles Griffin & Co., London, 1908. 12s., 6d.

An important work for the physician or traveler in tropical countries, written by a man of long and varied experience in these fields. There are descriptions of diseases and their treatment, much practical information as to food, exercise, clothing and general hygiene; and a description of mosquitoes, fleas, ticks, etc.; and classifications of animal and vegetable parasites; also a chapter on disinfection, one on the blood, and advice on microscopy and photography, two most valuable assistants in the field of pathology. The author has been successful in his task, which, he remarks, has been a pleasant one.

**Ober-Ammergau and the Passion Play.** A Practical and Historical Handbook for Visitors, by the Rev. E. Hermitage Day, D.D., F.S.A. 96 pp. and 24 illustrations. Small 8vo. A. R. Mowbray & Co., London (1910). Milwaukee, The Young Churchman Co. 45c., parchment.

This little volume, giving a concise and accurate account of the Passion Play, including a description of the village, is most welcome. There is added a synopsis of the play and other data of value to those who are there or who intend to witness the performance. For others, the book will be of interest in its descriptions and will serve as a reference work on the subject.

**El Inglés para Cada Cual.** Con Pronunciación Fonética. Para aprender el Inglés por sí mismo. Por William Chevob. pp. 128. 8vo. E. Marlborough & Co., London, 1909. 1s.

Handbooks of this practical kind for language study are highly useful and enable many to acquire foreign languages. Marlborough & Co. have published a large number of them, including Arabic, Hindustani, Japanese, Tamil, and even Esperanto. Pronunciations in all cases are quite clearly indicated. Any intelligent person may "pick up" a working knowledge of a language through these books.